

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

Claims 3-8 remain pending in this application. Claims 1 and 2 have been cancelled.

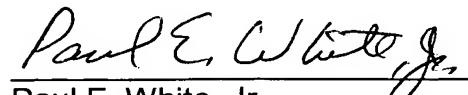
Claim 3 has been amended to be in independent form.

Claim 3 has been amended to revise the definition “n represents an integer of 0 to 4” to be “n represents an integer of 1 to 4.” Claim 4 has been amended to revise the term “perfluoro C₂-C₆ alkyl group” to be “perfluoro C₃-C₆ alkyl group.” These revisions were made to avoid using proviso and thus overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, set forth in the Office Action. The applicants accordingly submit that all presently considered claims are fully allowable under Section 112, first paragraph. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

The claims have been amended to delete the word “general” from “general formula” and the phrase “R¹ and R² may be taken conjointly to form 4- to 7-membered rings” has been changed to “R¹ and R² may be taken conjointly with the N to which they are attached to form 4- to 7-membered rings.” Both amendments to the claims being made as suggested by the Examiner to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. The applicants accordingly submit that all presently considered claims are fully allowable under Section 112, second paragraph. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, and there being no other objections or rejections, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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